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Chapter 27
The Birthday



THE LOTUS
FLOWERS
ARE
BEAUTIFUL!
NO WONDER
SHINOBUZU
IS FAMOUS
FOR THEM.

IT WAS
WELL WORTH
WAKING UP
EARLY, WAS
IT NOT?

YEAH.
SURE.
TOTALLY...

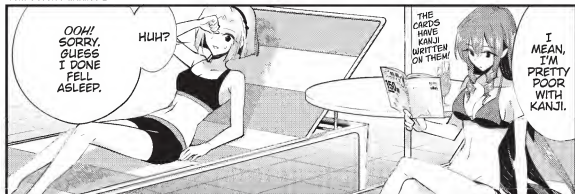
BUT DID
WE REALLY
HAVE TO
SKIP
BREAKFAST?

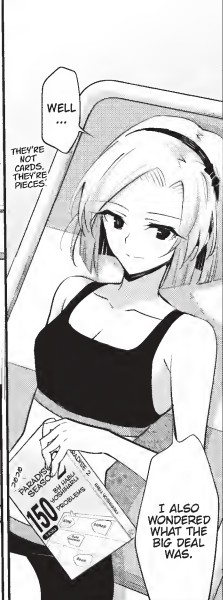
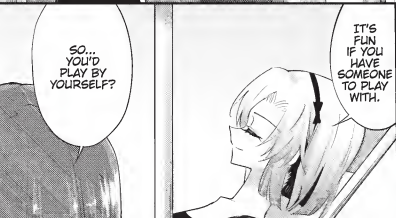
YAWN...

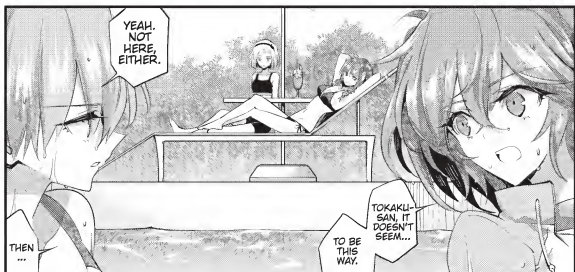
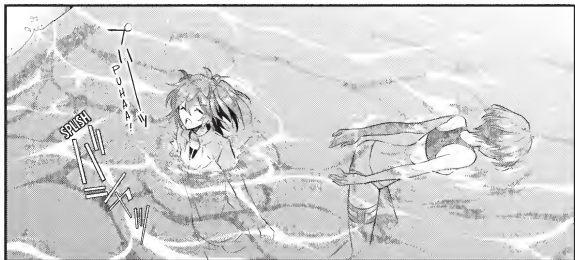
OH,
TAKEO-
SAN...



Text Cover: Paradise 2









DAMN!

BLASH



CALM
DOWN!



OOH!
♥
SHE'S
PIN-
SSED!

TOKAKU-
SAN!

IDI-
OTS!



THERE'S
NO WAY
TO FIND IT,
RIGHT?!

SPLOSH

HOW
DO WE
EVEN KNOW
IF SHE HID
IT OR NOT?
SHE'S JUST
PLAYING
US!

LOSING
YOUR COOL
MEANS WE
LOSE IT
ALL.

AND
GAMES
ALWAYS
HAVE
RULES!



SHUTO-
SAN SAID
IT'S A
GAME...



IT'S
ALMOST
NIGHT!



BUT,
THE
TIME...



IT'S
ALMOST
TIME FOR
ME TO
COME OUT...

WHICH
MEEEAANS...



THIS ISN'T
REALLY YOUR
STYLE...
NOR IS THAT
SWIMSUIT.

ACK
!

UM,
WHAT'S
WITH THE
GRAND
APPEAR-
ANCE,
NOW?
♥

SHUT
UP!

SHUT
YOUR
MOUTH!!

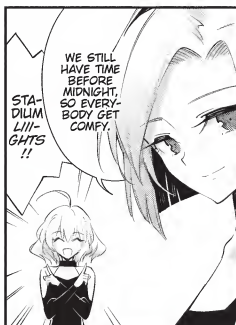
DA-
DAN

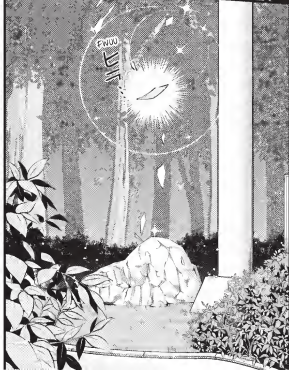
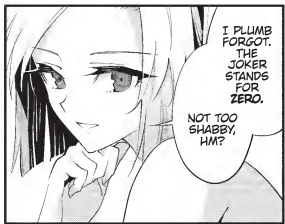
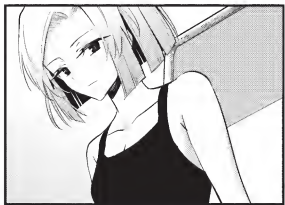
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MAHIRU
ALWAYS
WANTED TO
SWIM IN A
SUIT LIKE
THIS...

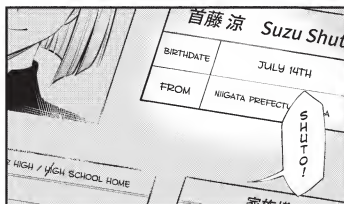
SO,
LET'S
GO!

MAHIRU



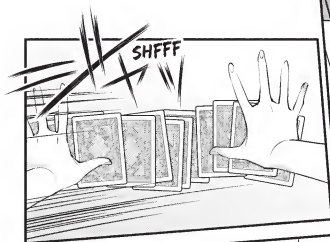






MATCH





THIS
DECK
?!!



GOT
IT!

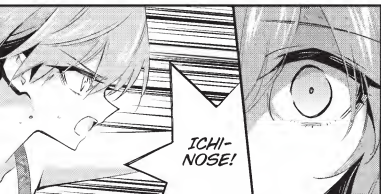
TO-
KAKU-
SAN!

ONE
OF THE
CARDS
HAS A
DIFFERENT
PATTERN!

EHP
DIDN'T
YOU TAKE
A GANDER
AT THOSE
CARDS
EARLIER?

I TOLD
YOU THEY
WERE
DUMMIES.





HAPPY
BIRTHDAY...

SHUTO
SUZU-
SAN!!

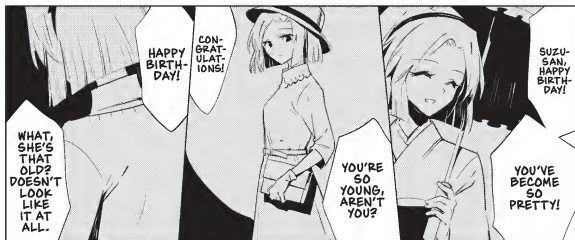
SENSEI,
MEN
ARE NOT
ALLOWED
HERE.

Y-
YEAH.

YOU'RE ALL
PLAYING
TOGETHER
FOR
SHUTO'S
BIRTHDAY,
AREN'T YOU?
AS YOUR
TEACHER,
THAT MAKES
ME VERY
HAPPY.

SMILE

SMILE





**"HAPPY
BIRTHDAY."**

**"HAPPY
BIRTHDAY."**

I JUST
WANT
TO BE
NORMAL!

WHAT...
DO YOU
MEAN?
I DON'T
WANT
THAT! IS
THERE A
CURE?!

YOUR
EXAMINATION
RESULTS
SHOW AN
ILLNESS
WHICH MAKES
IT DIFFICULT
FOR YOUR
FLESH TO
AGE.

WHEN YOU
REACH A
CRITICAL
POINT
IN YOUR
LIFE...

I'M SORRY,
BUT THERE
ARE NO
TREATMENT
OPTIONS
AVAILABLE
AT THIS
TIME.

YOUR
FLESH
WILL
AGE AND
BREAK
DOWN
IMMEDI-
ATELY.

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Chapter 28
The Last One



I DIDN'T
GET YOU A
PRESENT,
BUT IF YOU
WIN THIS
GAME, THERE
IS A REWARD!

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY!



MY WISH
IS FOR
A CURE
FOR MY
DISEASE.

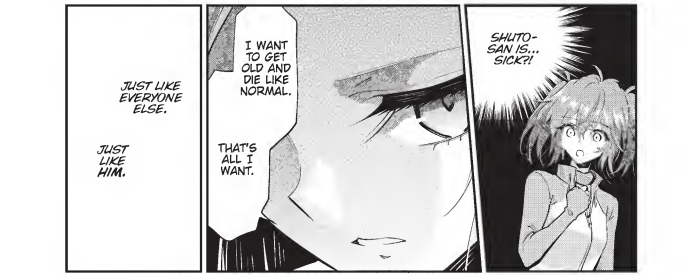
I DO
HOPE
SO.

JUST LIKE
EVERYONE
ELSE.

JUST
LIKE
HIM.

I WANT
TO GET
OLD AND
DIE LIKE
NORMAL.

THAT'S
ALL I
WANT.



SHUTO-
SAN IS...
SICK?!



OLDER?

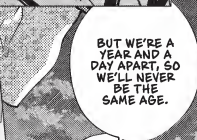
THEN
I'M
OLDER.

OH DEAR.
TAKED-
SAN, YOUR
BIRTHDAY
IS THE DAY
AFTER
MINE?!

THERE'S
ONLY A
YEAR'S
DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN
US.



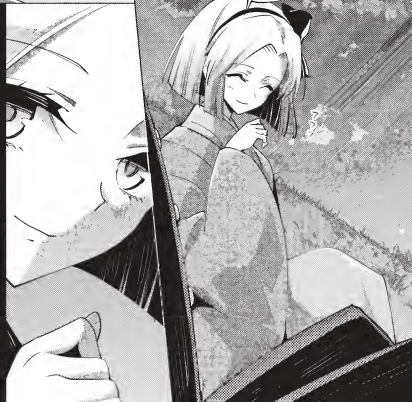
I'LL
CATCH UP
TO YOU...
IN NO
TIME.



BUT WE'RE A
YEAR AND A
DAY APART, SO
WE'LL NEVER
BE THE
SAME AGE.



BUT
INSTEAD
OF JUST
CATCHING
UP...



AND
LEFT ME
BEHIND.

...HE
PASSED
ME UP.

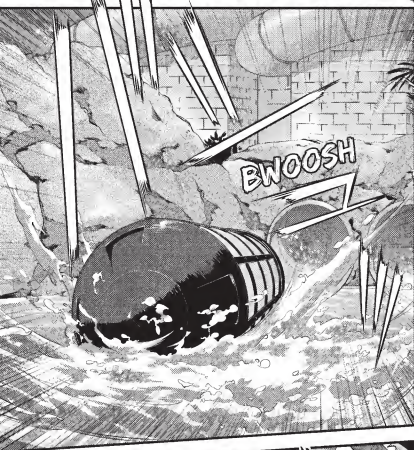
MY
APOLOGIES,
ICHINOSE.
I DON'T
HAVE
NOTHIN'
AGAINST
ANYONE...

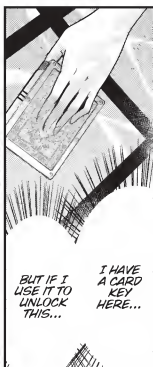
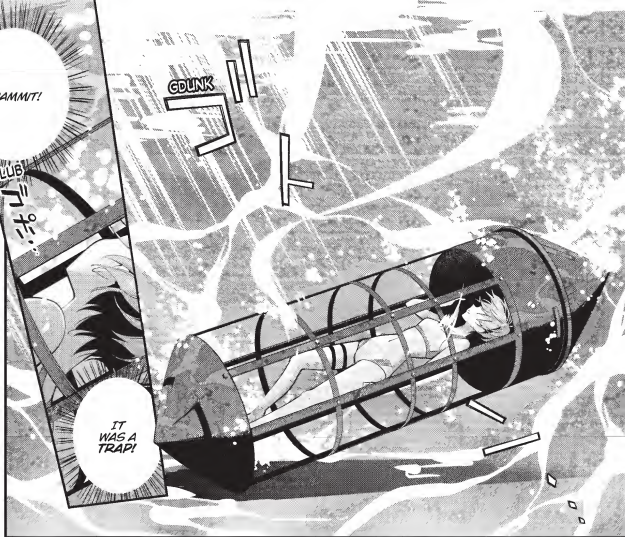
BUT I'D
LIKE TO
END THIS
ALL.

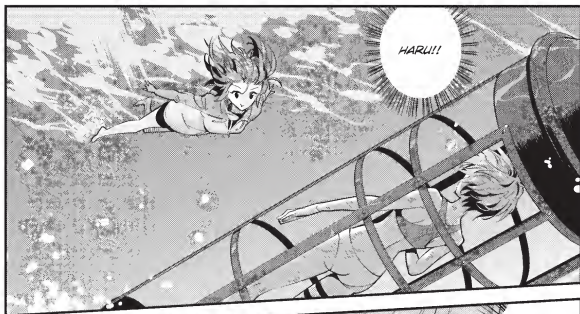
AND
TO THAT
END, I'LL
EVEN DO
SOMETHING
LIKE **THIS**.









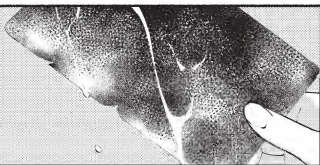


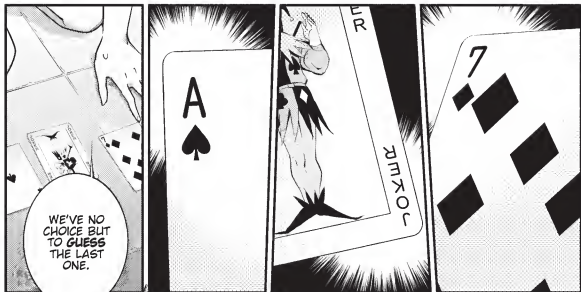


CLINK
カ
シヤ

WSSH

WSSH





WE'VE NO
CHOICE BUT
TO GUESS
THE LAST
ONE.

MY
LUCKY
NUMBER
IS NINE,
SO...

OOH, LET ME
HELP!
♥

AH
HAA!

YES,
BUT WHAT
ABOUT THE
ORDER
THEY MUST
BE PUT IN?



OOPS-
IEEE~!
♥

BZZT



SEVEN!

ZERO!

ONE!

NINE!

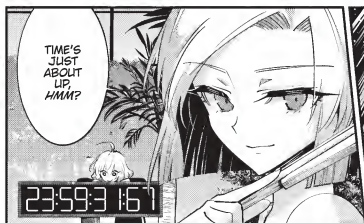
BEEP

BEEP

BEEP

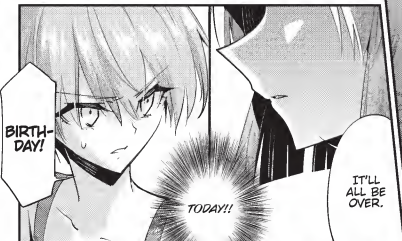
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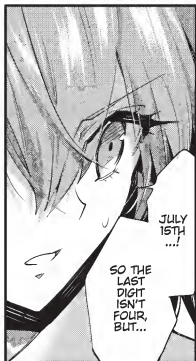
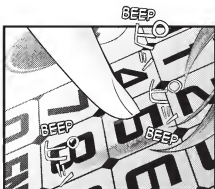
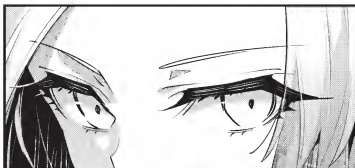
HUH?
?!



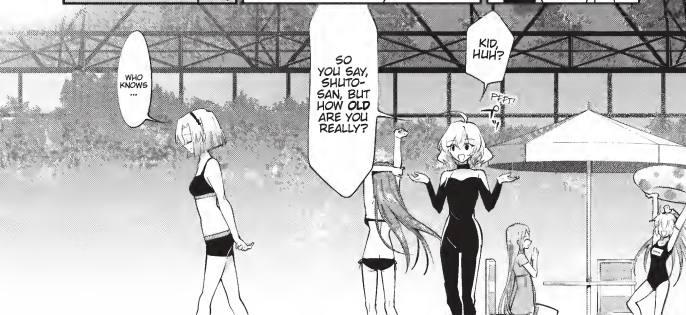
HEY!
WHAT
THE
HELL?!

ONLY
ONE
CHANCE
LEFT!



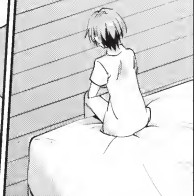


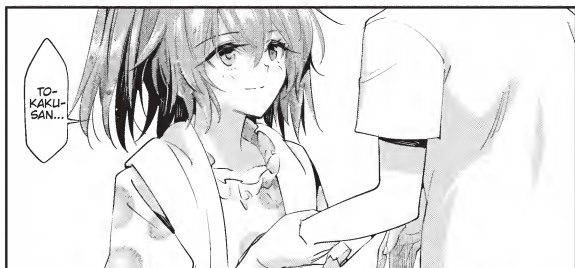


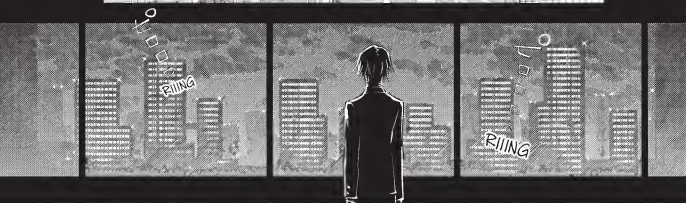
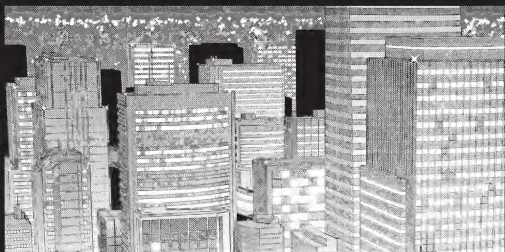


I DONE
FORGOT
ALREADY...









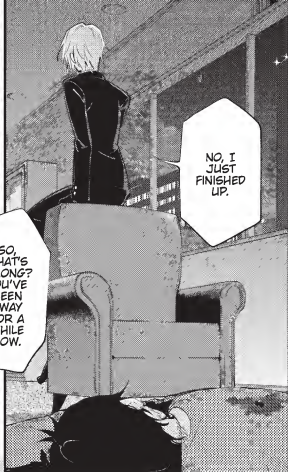


YOU
KNOW,
WORK
IS...

EASY.
♥

SUPER
EASY.
♥

SO,
WHAT'S
WRONG?
YOU'VE
BEEN
AWAY
FOR A
WHILE
NOW.



NO, I
JUST
FINISHED
UP.



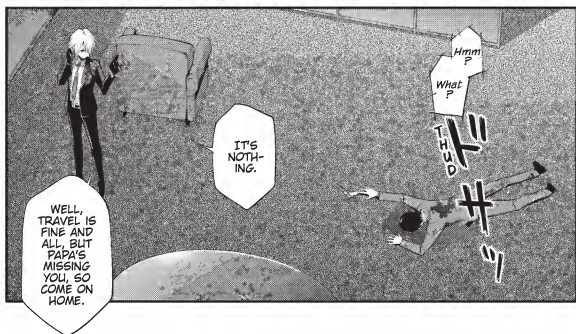
OR
LOST
THEM.



IT'S
JUST
THAT...
THERE'S
A
SNAKE.

S
n
a
k
e
s

YES,
I'M
JUST NOT
SURE
IF IT'S
HIDING
ITS
FANGS...



RUMBLE

RUMBLE

YES.
♥
I'LL COME
HOME WITH
LOTS OF
SOLIVENIRS,
SO...

HEY,
MAMA...
♥
IF YOU
WANTED
A SECOND
HOUSE,
WOULD YOU
PREFER
THE ALPS
OR THE
CARIBBEAN?

Whaaat?
Just
Papa?

Really?
♥
Okay!

AND OF
COURSE,
MAMA
MISSES
YOU,
TOO.



番場 美樹 Miki Hanaba
Birthdate: May 30
Hometown:

THIS
CLASS
BLACK IS
RATHER
AMUSING.



久賀 つか子 Tsukiko Kariya
Birthdate: June 29
Hometown: Yokohama,
Kanagawa Prefecture



花柳 水蓮 Suirena Hanayusa
Birthdate: August 13
Hometown: Saitama, Tokyo

NOT
MANY
LEFT,
HMMM?



A HOLY
RELIC FOR
BANBA-SAN?
I DON'T
REALLY
UNDERSTAND,
BUT IT
SEEMS SHE
HAS NO
ILL WISHES
TOWARDS
US.

FROM
HER WISH,
HANABUSA-
SAN
PROBABLY
WON'T ACT
UNTIL THE
END, RIGHT?

INUKAI-
SAN'S
WISH IS
MONEY.

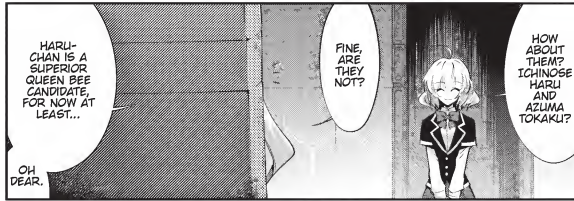
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Birthplace: Yokohama,
Kanagawa Prefecture

Birth date: August 1
Birthplace: Meguro



WILL
IT END
SOON?

IN MY
TIME, IT
WAS SIX
DAYS,
BUT...



HARU-
CHAN IS A
SUPERIOR
QUEEN BEE
CANDIDATE,
FOR NOW AT
LEAST...

FINE,
ARE
THEY
NOT?

HOW
ABOUT
THEM?
ICHINOSE
HARU
AND
AZUMA
TOKAKU?

OH
DEAR.



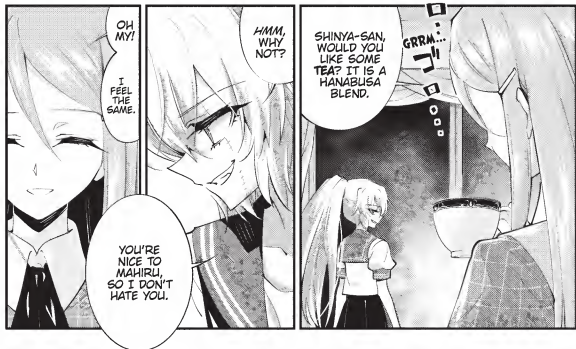
SEEMS A
STORM IS
COMING.

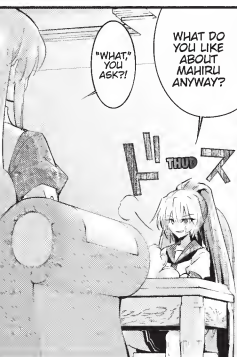
Typhoon
21

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Chapter 29

Beautiful Things





"WHAT,"
YOU
ASK?!

WHAT DO
YOU LIKE
ABOUT
MAHIRU
ANYWAY?



SHINYA-
SAN, YOU
DO WATCH
OVER
MAHIRU-
SAN
WELL...

SO I
DO NOT
DISLIKE
YOU,
EITHER.

WEIRD
LADY.



HER
INSANITY.

BUT OF
COURSE...



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SHIVER
L

PLEASE

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FSH

PURE
HIRU-
AN?

OJI-
SAN...
I'M

HATE.

HATE.

HATE.

UN-
FORGIV-
ABLE.

UNFORGIVABLE.

YOU CAN'T
FORGIVE
SOMETHING
LIKE THIS,
CAN YOU?!

WHY DO
YOU DO
THESE
THINGS?

I'M
SCARED!

LET
ME
OUT,
OJI-
SAN!

BANG

BANG

LET ME
OUT!
IT'S
DARK
AND
SCARY!

I'M
SCAR-
ED.

I WANT
TO GO
HOME.

I
DON'T
LIKE
THIS!!

HATE.



MA...



MAHIRU
WANTS TO
BE...

OJI-SAN'S
W-WIFE.
PLEASE
GIVE ME
FOOD.

PLEASE
GIVE ME
FOOD.

WHY?



THAT SO?
INSANITY,
EH?

THAT'S
GREEAAT.
AFTER ALL,
THAT'S THE
BEST THING
ABOUT
MAHIRU.

OH, I
AGREE.
THAT'S
ALL
GOOD,
BUT...

I DO
INDEED
LIKE ALL
OF THOSE
THINGS,
HOWEVER...

STUFF
LIKE HOW
CUTE
MAHIRU
LOOKS
OR IS
SHAPED
...

HOW
LOVABLE
SHE IS,
LIKE A
LITTLE
ANIMAL...

HER
HORRIBLE
TASTE IN
CLOTHING, OR
HER QUIET
VOICE... IF
YOU SAID ANY
OF THOSE I
WOULD'VE
LAUGHED MY
ASS OFF.



PROOF THAT
MAHIRU-
SAN LIVED
THROUGH
EVERYTHING
BECAUSE
OF HER
INSANITY.

THERE IS
NOTHING
MORE
BEAUTIFUL
THAN A
STRONG
SOUL.



THE
SCAR ON
MAHIRU-
SAN'S
FACE...

THE FACT
THAT YOU
EXIST,
SHINYA-
SAN...

EVERY-
THING.



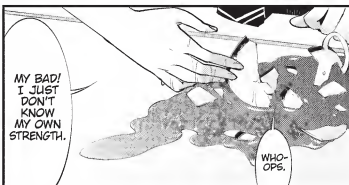
KRSSH!!

I NEVER
THOUGHT
IT'D BE
POSSIBLE,
BUT I'M
GLAD WE
FEEL THE
SAME.



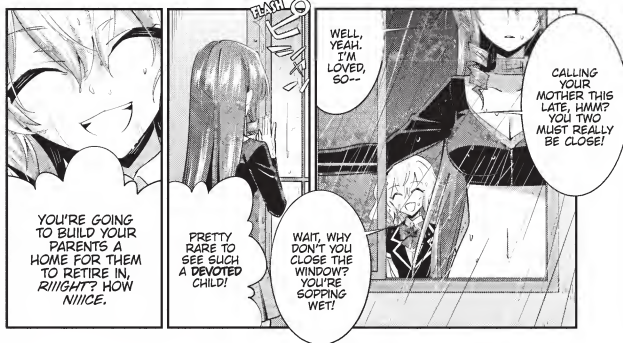
I DO
NOT
MIND
IN THE
LEAST.

AFTER ALL,
EVERYTHING
BREAKS.



MY BAD!
I JUST
DON'T
KNOW
MY OWN
STRENGTH.

WHO-
OPS.





IT'S A
BIG ONE,
RIGHT?

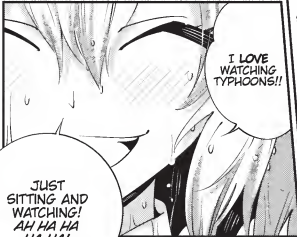
THAT'S
NOT IT
AT ALL.

I'M JUST
SO EXCITED
BECAUSE THE
TYPHOON IS
COMING!



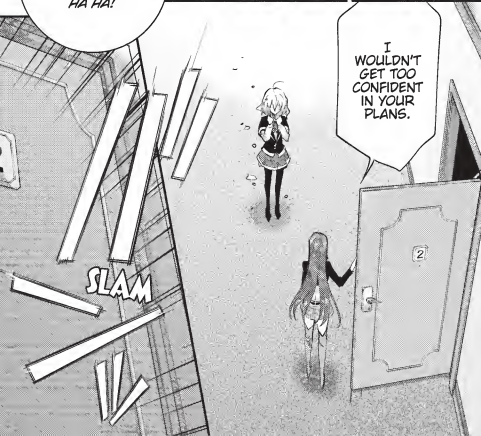
WHAT'S WITH
YOU? WHY
DON'T YOU
KEEP YOUR
NOSE OUT
OF OTHER
PEOPLE'S
BUSINESS?

IS THERE
SOMETHING
ELSE
YOU'RE
HIDING?
♥



I LOVE
WATCHING
TYPHOONS!!

JUST
SITTING AND
WATCHING!
AH HA HA
HA HA!



I
WOULDN'T
GET TOO
CONFIDENT
IN YOUR
PLANS.



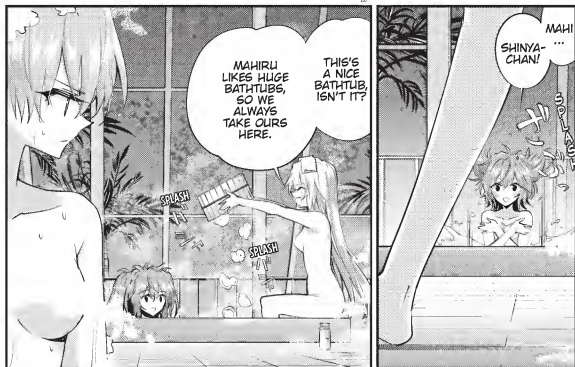
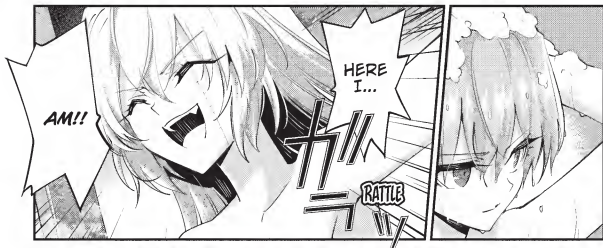
YOU
KNOW...

SLAM



PUSH
GATE







AH
HA
HA!

WERE YOU
WORRIED
ABOUT
YOUR
SCARS OR
SOME-
THING?

THOSE ARE
OKAY. LOOK
AT MAHIRU;
IT'S ON
HER FACE!

BUT WE
DON'T SEE
YOU GUYS
MUCH!

BIG BATHS
DO FEEL
GOOD!



LATELY,
THAT
MAHIRU
JUST
WON'T
SHUT UP.

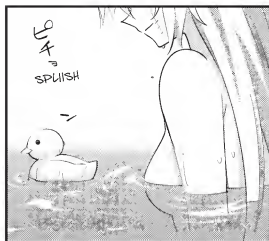
I SAY
WE COULD
STILL WAIT
A WHILE,
BUT...

HEY!

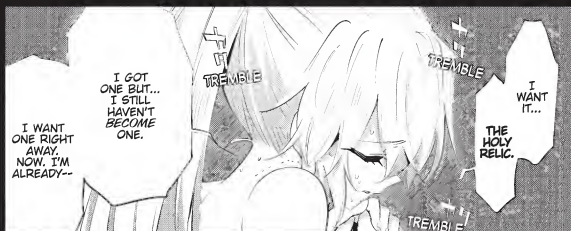
DON'T
DRINK
IN THE
BATH!!!

IT'S
ALL
GOOD.

RELAX.
THIS MIGHT
BE THE LAST
TIME ANYWAY,
RIGHT?







I WANT
ONE RIGHT
AWAY.
NOW, I'M
ALREADY--

I GOT
ONE BUT...
I STILL
HAVEN'T
BECOME
ONE.

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

I WANT
IT...

THE
HOLY
RELIC.

TREMBLE



OKAY. I'LL
GIVE IT TO
YOU, LIKE
USUAL,
OKAY?

YOU'VE
BEEN
PATIENT
THIS WHOLE
TIME,
HAVEN'T
YOU?

I
KNOW.



COM-
MENCE
THE AT-
TACK!

NOW,
TIME TO...



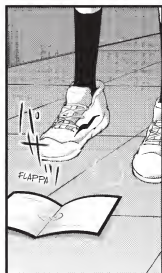
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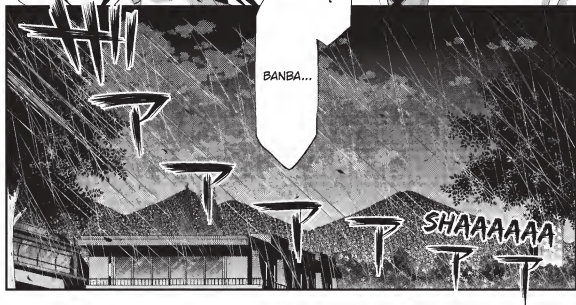
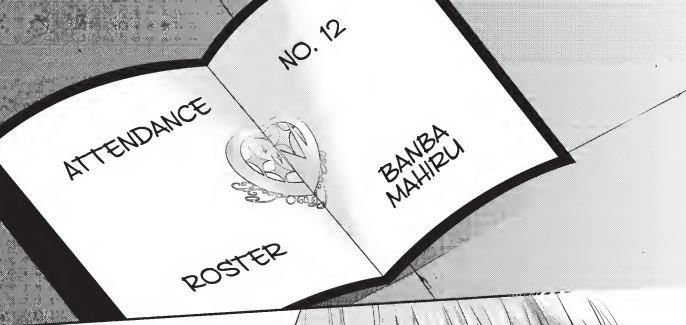
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That Which the Wind Brought In













ICHI-
NOSE
!!

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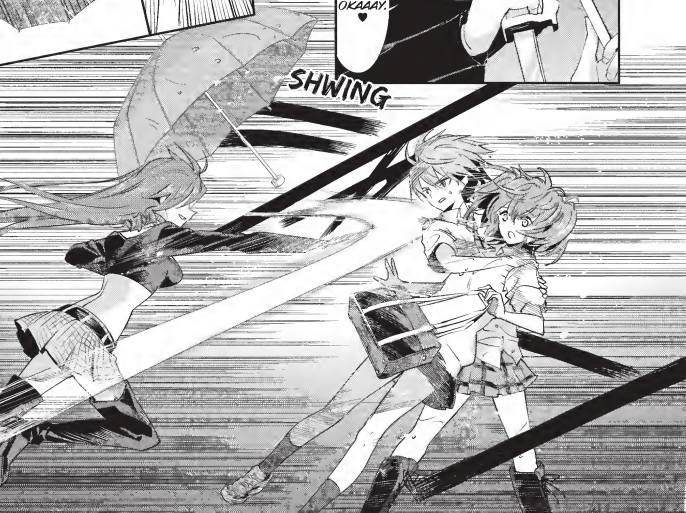


ISUKE-
SAN!

DID
YOU
GET
WET?

IT'S
OKAAAY.
♥

SHWING





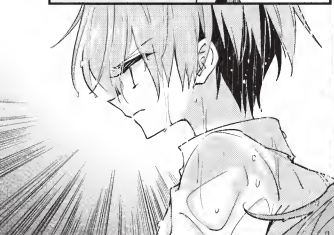


HMM?
OH...

YOU
GOT IT
ALREADY,
DIDN'T
YOU?



I KNEW
YOU'D
HAVE
FAST RE-
FLEXES.
♥



INU-
KAI!

WHAT
ABOUT
THE
WARNING
ANNOUNCE-
MENT?!
THIS'S
AGAINST
THE
RULES!





HEH
HEH.

YOU
CAN'T
DO IT,
CAN
YOU?
♥

HOW
HILARIOUS!



IS
SHE
STUPID?

HEE
HEE.



Wrinkle
= 4

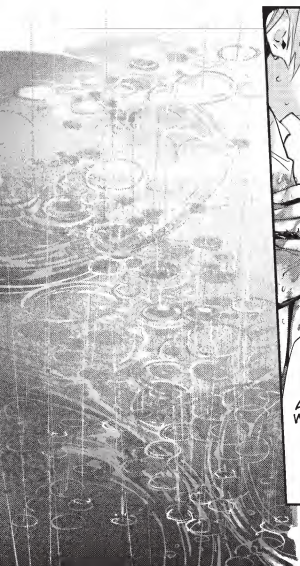


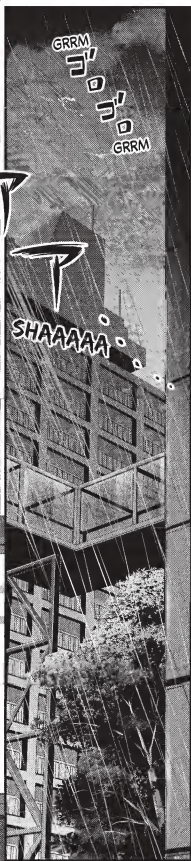
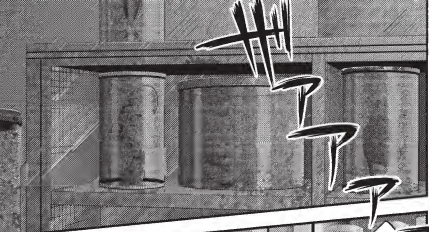
IT
WOULD'VE
BEEN
EASIER
JUST TO
KILL ME.



SO, SHE
REALLY
IS LIKE
THAT.
♥

HEH.







BUT,
TOKAKU-SAN,
YOU'RE HURT!
HARU WILL
FIX THIS...

YOU'LL
JUST GET
IN THE
WAY.
HIDE!!

I'LL
TAKE
CARE OF
INUKAI.

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Chapter 31

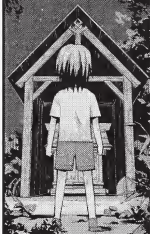
That Determination



"THAT
PERSON IS
WATCHING
FROM IN
HERE. IF YOU
REMEMBER
THAT, THEN
YOU SHALL
NOT BE ABLE
TO KILL."



A
CURSE
...









IS IT
BECAUSE
YOU
WERE
SPOILED?



GRRP

EVERYONE
IS AFRAID
BECAUSE
YOU'RE AN
AZUMA...
PATHETIC.
YOU'RE
HARDLY
WORTHY.

YOU
HAVEN'T
DELIVERED
A SINGLE
KILLING
BLOW!

IT'S
HAPPENED
EVERY
TIME.
♥



YOU
KNOW WHY
I HATE
PEOPLE
LIKE YOU?

NOT
FOR ANY
SENSE OF
ENTITLE-
MENT!!



I FIGHT
FOR MY
OWN
SAKE!



YOU
NEVER HAD
TO FIGHT
TO GET
WHERE YOU
ARE NOW...
YOU'RE ALL
WORTHLESS.



NOW,
YOUNG
LADY...



PLEA-
SEE
...

GIVE
IT YOUR
BEST
SHOT!
♥



THIS CHILD
SHALL BE
NAMED
"TOKAKU."

HUMPH.

GUH...
GUH...

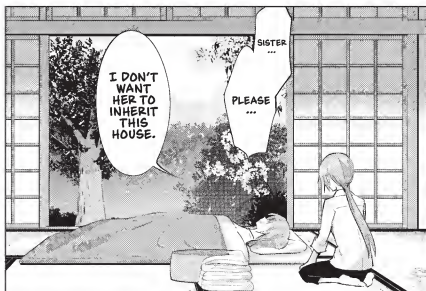
IT MEANS
"IMPOSSIBLE."

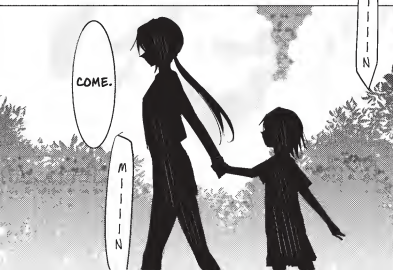
MOTHER
...

GROW
STRONG,
LIVE UP TO
YOUR NAME.

TOKAKU
...

YOU,
ABOVE
ALL, ARE
THE HEIR
TO THE
AZUMA
FAMILY!



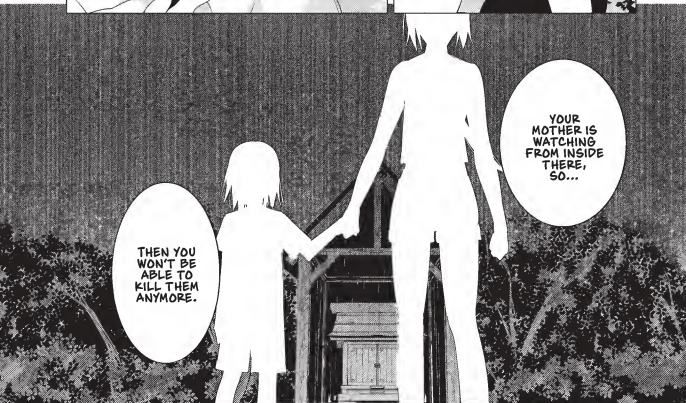




WHEN YOU
START
THINKING
ABOUT
KILLING
SOMEONE,
REMEMBER
THIS.



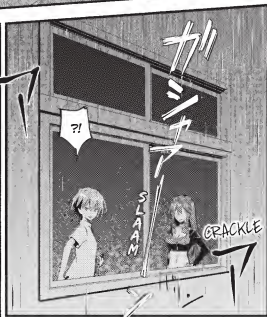
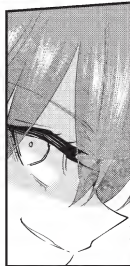
DON'T
FORGET
ABOUT
THIS
SHRINE.



THEN YOU
WON'T BE
ABLE TO
KILL THEM
ANYMORE.

YOUR
MOTHER IS
WATCHING
FROM INSIDE
THERE,
SO...





WELL,
HER
TARGET
IS HARU-
CHAN.
♥



WHILE I GET
TO KILL THE
AZUMA PEST,
THEY GET TO
HAVE FUN
WITH HARU!

SHINK

THAT'S
THE DEAL
I MADE
WITH
BANBA!

DON



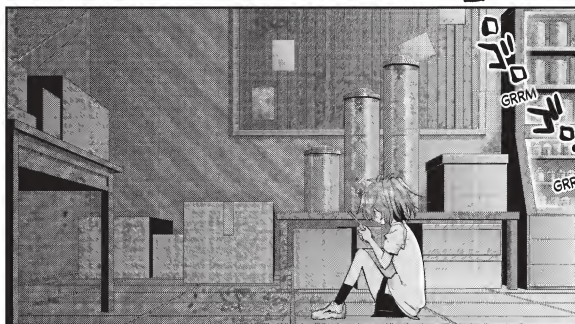
THIS
WOULDN'T
HAVE
HAPPENED,
WOULD
IT?

IF YOU
HAD KILLED
ME BACK
THEN...



KRA-KOOOOM

GRRM



GRRM

GRRM...



TO-KAKU-SAN...



HERE COMES

RANBA SHINYA!!



GWROSH



I CAME
TO KILL
YA!

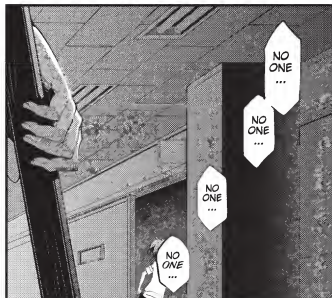




THANKS
TO YOU,
MAHIRU
GOT HER
HANDS ON
ANOTHER
TREASURE.

YOU
CAN'T TURN
INTO A
HOLY RELIC
WITHOUT
LEAVING
SOMETHING
IMPORTANT
WITH US! YOUR
FRIENDSHIP'S
THE PERFECT
TREASURE TO
FILL UP THE
EMPTINESS
INSIDE HER!!







I'M THE
ONLY
ONE
WHO
CAN DO
IT.

HEH
HEH
HEH.

I'M THE
ONLY ONE
WHO CAN
SAVE
MAHIRU.

THERE'S
NO ONE
HERE.

THERE'S
JUST
MAHIRU
AND ME.

THAT'S
WHY I'M
GOING TO
DO IT.



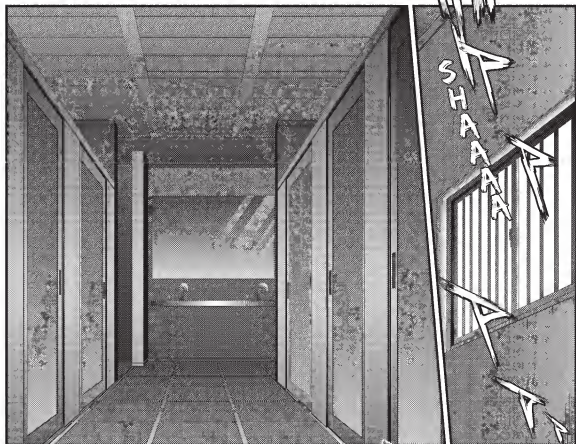




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Chapter 32

A World Without Anyone





IT'S
ALL RIGHT.
THERE'S NO
WAY SHE
COULD KILL
TOKAKU-SAN
SO EASILY!



CLUNK



CLUNK

CLUNK

KRRG



FLINCH



TOKAKU-
SAN....!

"OH,
HER?
BY
NOW..."



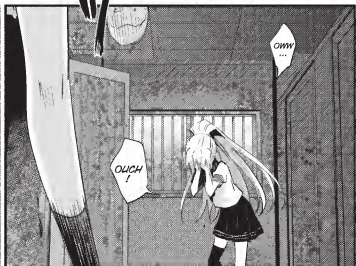
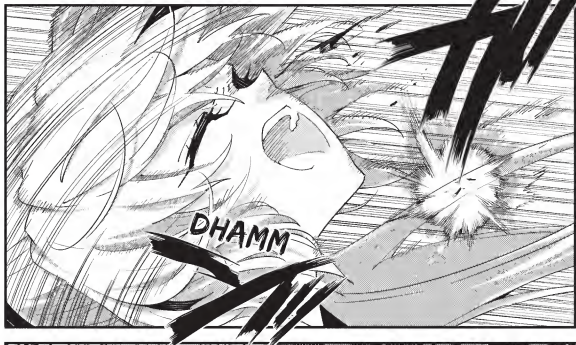
"INUKAI'S
PROBABLY
KILLED
HER."

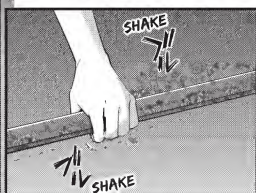




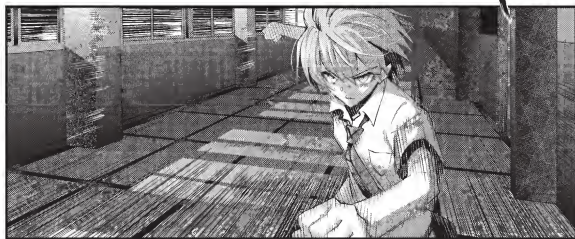


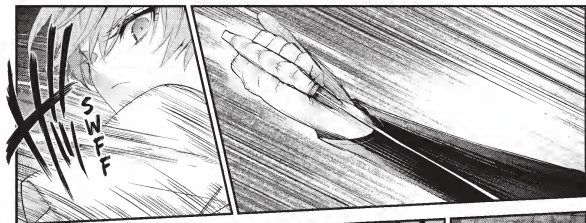






Chapter 33
Strong Slave, Weak Slave





ZAA

STILL
GOING
FOR NON-
LETHAL
BLOWS?
YOU IDIOT!

ZAA

ZAA

IF YOU
CAN'T KILL,
WHY EVEN
BOTHER?

YOU'RE
JUST A
SPOILED
FAMILY
HEIR WHO
FAILED TO
BECOME
AN
ASSASSIN!
YOU'RE
SO
USELESS!

MAKE
IT EASY
AND
JUST
DIE!!

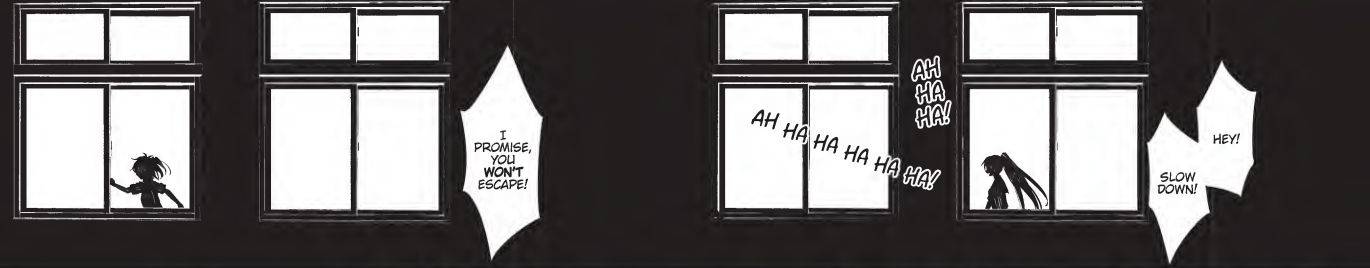
THIS
IS
NOT...

A
GAME
!!!

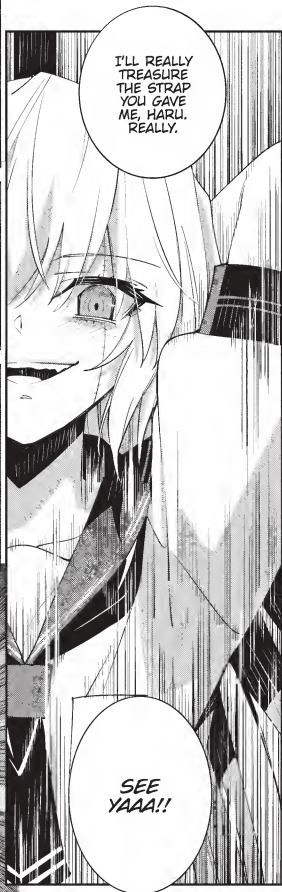
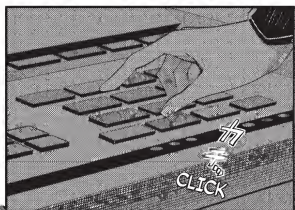
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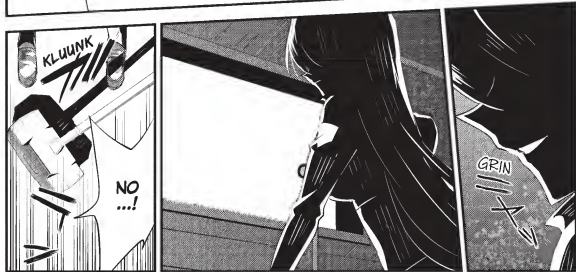


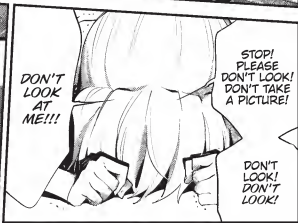
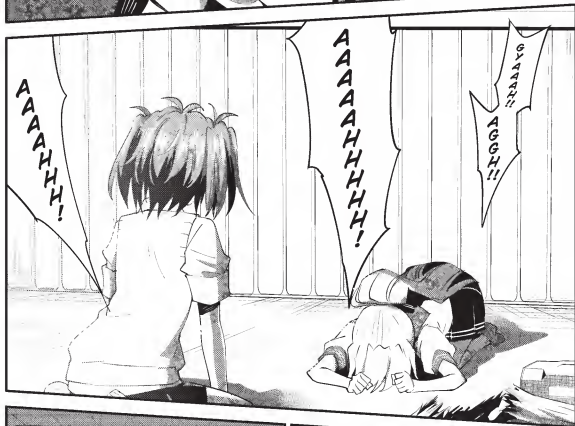




I'LL REALLY
TREASURE
THE STRAP
YOU GAVE
ME, HARU.
REALLY.

SEE
YAAA!!







IT'S
PROBABLY
SO
HORRIBLE
THAT HARU
CAN'T EVEN
IMAGINE...

BUT
EVERYBODY
IS DOING
THEIR BEST
TO LIVE,
SO--

ISUIKE-SAN,
YOU HAVE
YOUR OWN
CIRCUM-
STANCES,
AND...

.....

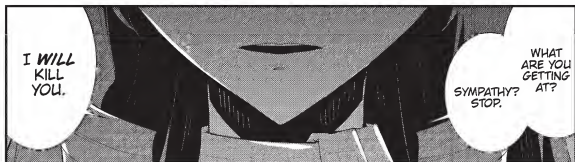


ONLY
THE
STRONG
SURVIVE.



YOU...

CAN
YOU SAY
THAT TO
HARUKI-
SAN, TOO?



I **WILL**
KILL
YOU.

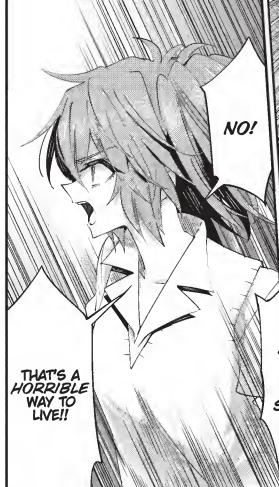
WHAT
ARE YOU
GETTING
AT?
SYMPATHY?
STOP.



THERE
ARE SOME
THINGS
YOU JUST
SHOULDN'T
DO!

IT'S
NOT
JUST
SYM-
PATHY.

I'M
MAD.



NO!

THAT'S A
HORRIBLE
WAY TO
LIVE!!



W R O N G !!

ANYTHING
GOES
WHEN IT
COMES TO
SURVIVAL!!



YOU'RE
A PAIN.

DIE.

SHUT
UP.



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Chapter 34
I Believe



MY BODY
FEELS SO
HEAVY...

SHAA...



CRAP.



CAN'T
TELL...

RAIN...
IS IT
RAINING?



MY EYES
WON'T
OPEN.

IT WON'T
MOVE.



DIE!

**JUST
DIE!
I'LL
KILL
YOU!**

**HATE
HER!**

**THAT
INUKAI!!**

**HATE
...**

**NOTHING!
YOU'RE
CURSED,
AREN'T
YOU?**

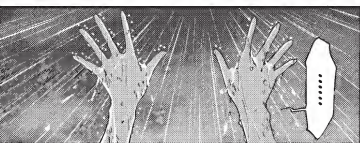
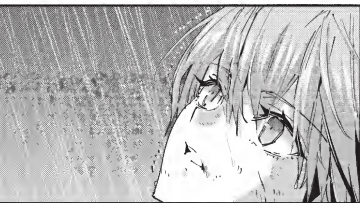
**AH HA
HA HA HA
HA HA HA
HA! TOO
BAD, SO
SAD.**
♥

**YOU
CAN'T DO
ANYTHING
TO ISUKE!**

**IT'S TRUE.
THIS IS
IMPOSSIBLE.**









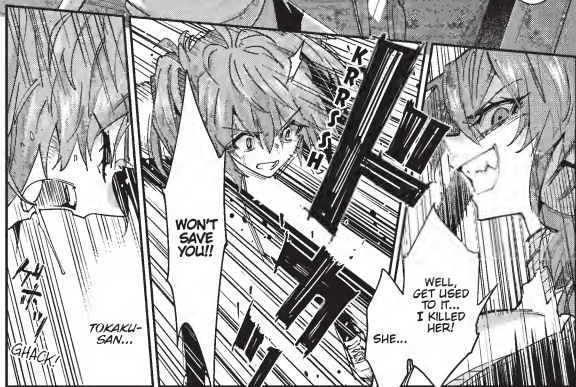
YOU
LONELY
BECAUSE
TOKAKU-
SAN'S
NOT
HERE?

HAAH!

AH
HA
HA...

JEEZ, AT
LEAST
TRY TO
RUN!
♥

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO THAT
CHEERY
"CAN-DO"
ATTITUDE OF
YOURS?

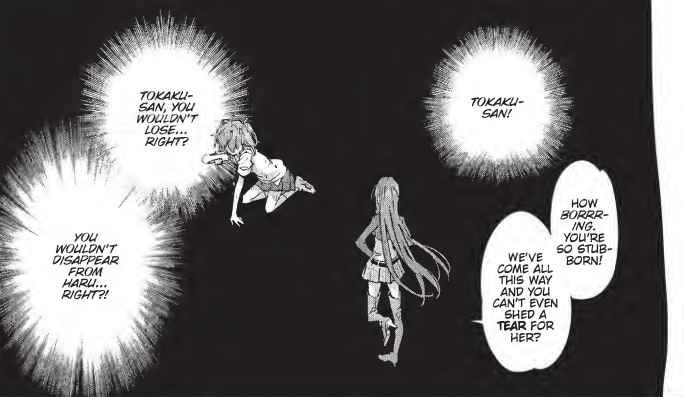


WON'T
SAVE
YOU!!

TOKAKU-
SAN...

WELL,
GET USED
TO IT...
I KILLED
HER!

SHE...



TOKAKU-SAN, YOU WOULDN'T LOSE... RIGHT?

TOKAKU-SAN!

YOU WOULDN'T DISAPPEAR FROM HARU... RIGHT?!

HOW BORRR-ING. YOU'RE SO STUB-BORN!

WE'VE COME ALL THIS WAY AND YOU CAN'T EVEN SHED A TEAR FOR HER?



GSSH

GSSH

C'EST LA VIEEE.

IF SHE HADN'T MET YOU, SHE WOULD'VE HAD MORE FUN IN LIFE, BUT...



PLEASE...

PLEASE...



DON'T CRY FOR ME.

TOKAKU!

TOKAKU-SAN...



OR ELSE... HARU... WILL...



I DON'T
WANT TO
SEE
YOU CRY.



TO-
KAKU
...



SAN
...!



PERSIS-
TENT,
AREN'T
YOU?!



I LIKE IT
BETTER
WHEN
YOU
SMILE.



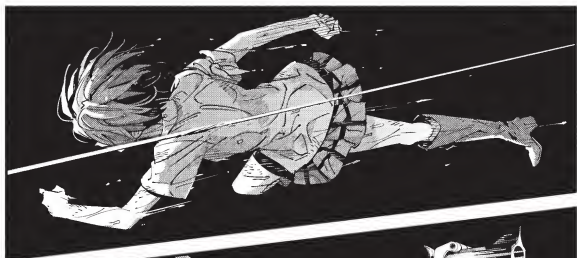
WSH



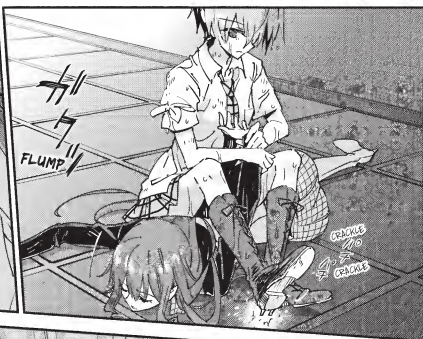
BLAM

LET'S
END
THIS,
ALREADY!

Chapter 35
Young Ladies

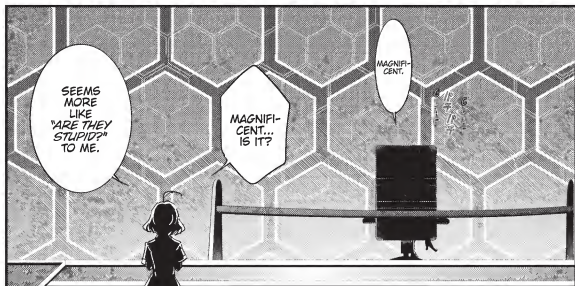
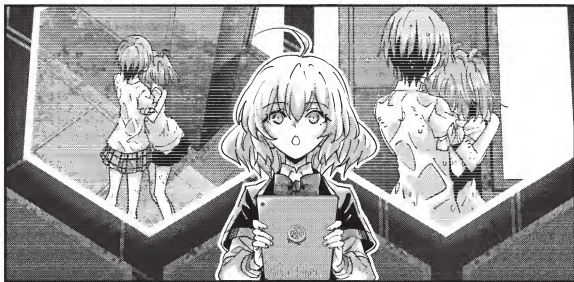








.....
SORRY
I'M
LATE.





PERSON-
ALLY?
I DON'T
LIKE
THEM,
SO...



UNTIL I
SEE YOU
AGAIN,
THEN.



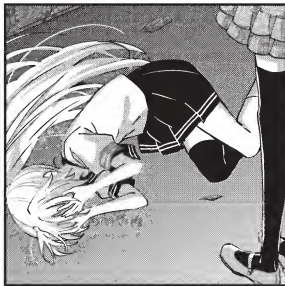
YOU,
YOUNG
LADIES...

ARE
TRULY
AMUS-
ING.



IT'S
NOT
AT ALL
AMUSING
TO ME.

I'LL
GO AND
RETRIEVE
BANBA
AND
INUKAI.







SURE, I
GUESS
THAT'S
OKAY. DO
WHATEVER
YOU LIKE.



WOWWWW.
WHAT
GOOD
TASTE
YOU
HAVE.



OH
YEAH?
LAST
ONE...



NEXT,
IT SHALL
BE MY
TURN.

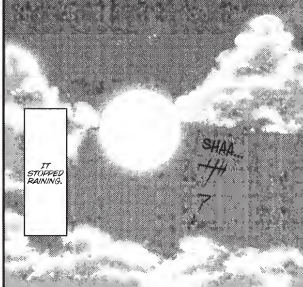
I SHALL
DISPLAY
MY
STRENGTHS.



I'M SO
LOOKING
FORWARD
TO IT!



MUST
BE IN THE
EYE OF
THE TY-
PHOON.



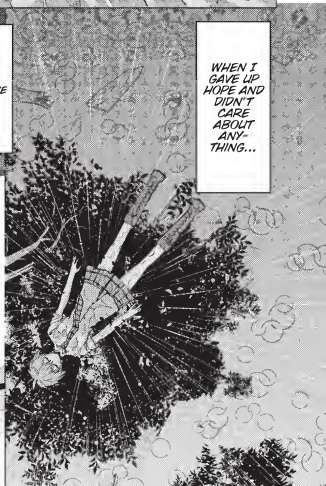
IT
STOPPED
RAINING.



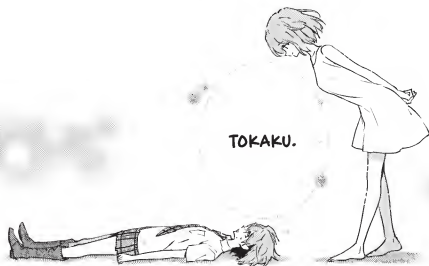
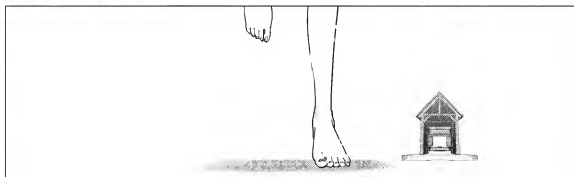
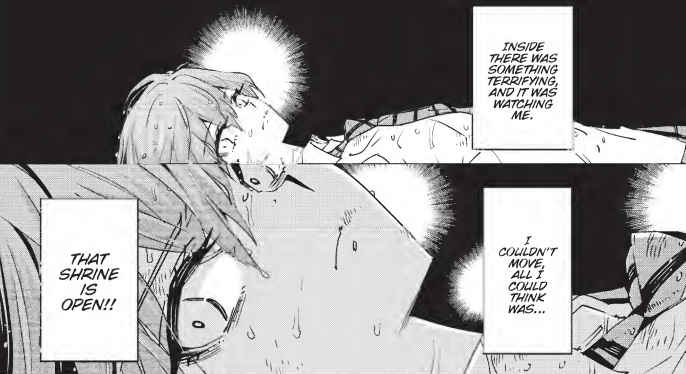
OPENED.



THE
SHRINE
...



WHEN I
GAVE UP
HOPE AND
DIDN'T
CARE
ABOUT
ANY-
THING...



IT'S OKAY.
EVEN IF YOU
FORGET,
TOKAKU,
I WILL
REMEMBER...

DID YOU
FORGET
ABOUT
THE
FUTURE I
WANTED
FOR YOU?



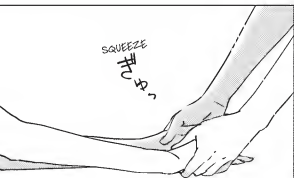
YOU'RE
SO BIG
NOW,
AREN'T
YOU?

WHO...?

WHAT?
FUTURE...?



YOU'VE
FOUND
SOMEONE
WHO'S
IMPORTANT
TO YOU,
HAVEN'T
YOU?



I BELIEVE
IN YOU.

SO
IT'S
ALL
RIGHT.

YOU HAVE
SOMETHING
YOU
WANT TO
PROTECT,
DON'T YOU?



TOKAKU,
YOU
ALREADY
KNOW
HOW TO
USE YOUR
POWERS.



MOTHER!!



I FEEL
THAT THE
SHRINE
IS EMPTY
NOW.

NOW
SHE'S
HERE...
INSIDE
MY
HEART.



NO ONE'S
THERE
ANYMORE.



SO IT
WAS
YOU.

THE ONE
WHO WAS
ALWAYS
WATCHING
ME,
WATCHING
OVER ME;
IT WAS...

MY
MOTH-
ER.

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Chapter 36

Do You Know the Language of Flowers

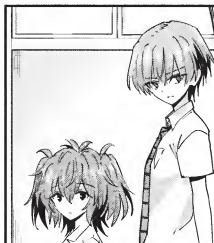


DID
YOU PER-
CHANCE
KNOW?

IN THE
LANGUAGE
OF
FLOWERS,
MORNING
GLORIES
SIGNIFY A
STRONG
BOND.



OH
MY, WHAT
ADORABLE
MORNING
GLORIES.



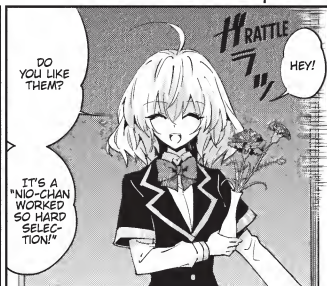
TEE
HEE...

DO YOU
NOT
THINK IT
FITTING
FOR
BANBA-SAN?



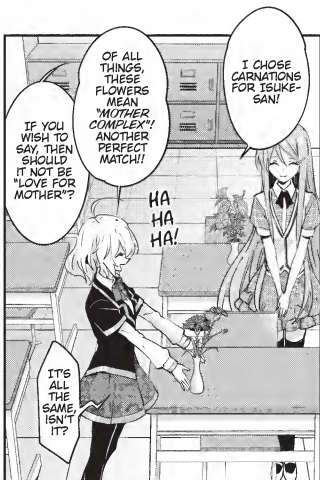
DO
YOU LIKE
THEM?

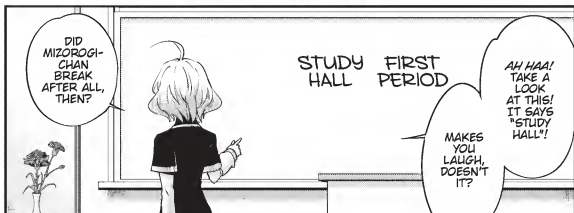
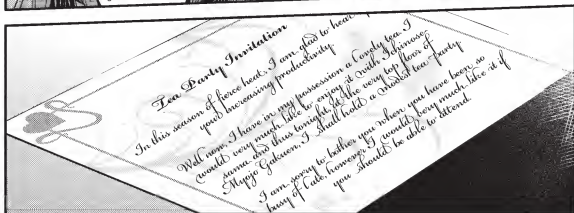
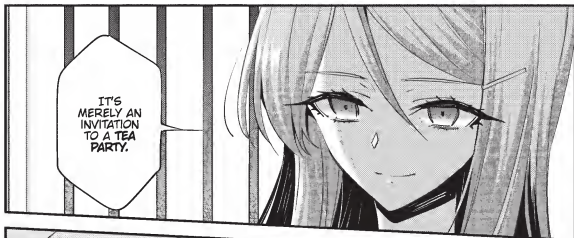
IT'S A
"NIO-CHAN
WORKED
SO HARD
SELEC-
TION!"



#RATTLE
ラッ

HEY!

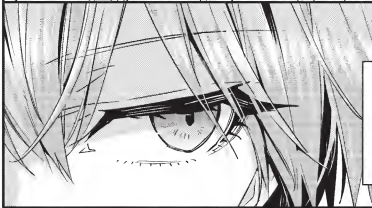






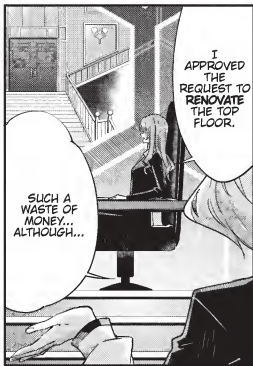
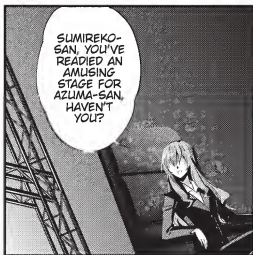
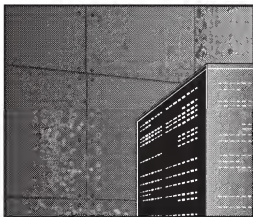
I MEAN,
SO
MANY
STUDENTS
TRANSFERRED
OUT.

FIRST
PERIOD



CLASS
BLACK IS
NEARING
ITS END.

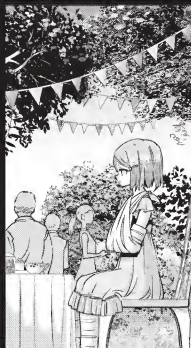
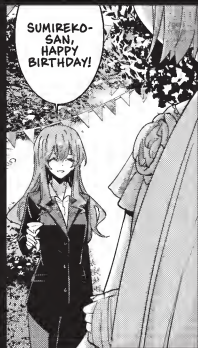
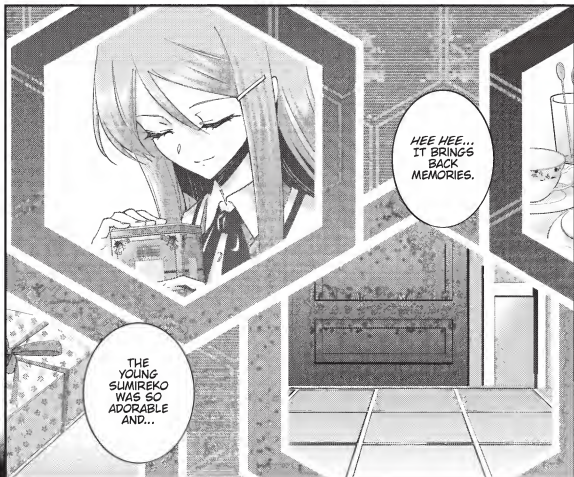
JUST
ONE
MORE.



THE HEIR
TO THE
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GROUP...



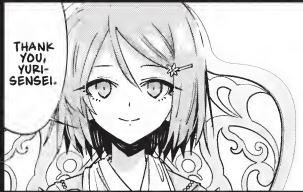
SUMI-
REKO.





DIFFICULT
QUESTION.
IT COULD
GO EITHER
WAY...

HMM
...



THANK
YOU,
YURI-
SENSEI.



DID YOU
GET
HURT ?
BE
CARE-
FUL!



I AM
SORRY. I
MISSPOKE.
WHICH
DO YOU
THINK IS
STRONGER,
SENSEI?

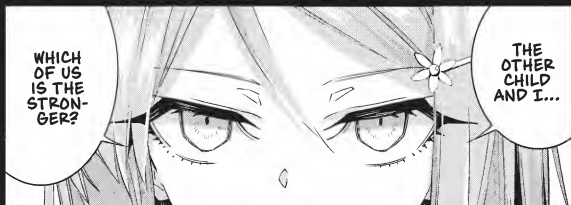


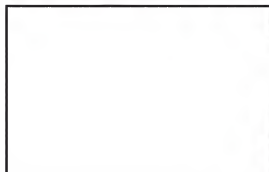
JUST
A
TRIFLE.

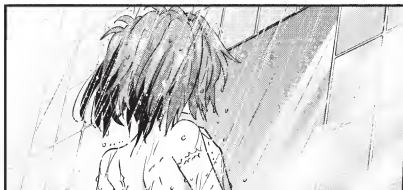


SEN-
SEI.

OF A
SPIDER
AND A
BEE,
WHICH
IS THE
STRON-
GER?







How studious!
Are you coming
back when
it's over?

OH?
REPORTING?
HOW
STUDIOUS!
ARE YOU
COMING
BACK
WHEN IT'S
OVER?

Class B
almost

MENU

ONLY ONE
REMAINS.
CLASS
BLACK IS
ALMOST
OVER.



OF
COURSE,
WHERE
ELSE
WOULD
I GO?

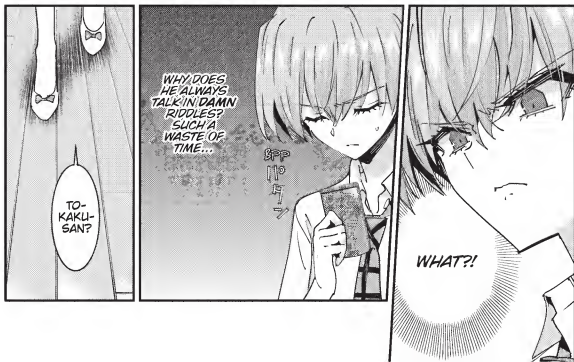
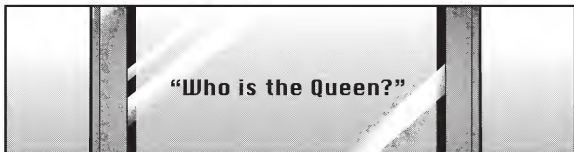


YOU
CAN GO
ANY-
WHERE
YOU
WANT!

WHAAAT?
YOU'VE
GOT LEGS,
DON'T YOU?



SHAA



WHO'D
HAVE
THOUGHT
THAT
HANABUSA-
SAN WOULD
DO THIS
MUCH?

SHE'S
UP TO
SOME-
THING.



ABOUT
THIS
DRESS?

WHAT
DO YOU
THINK
...

I DID
CHECK IT
OUT, JUST
IN CASE,
BUT IT
SEEMS LIKE
A REGULAR
DRESS.

MAYBE
HANABUSA-
SAN GAVE
UP ON
HARU,
THEN?

IT
SEEMS
LIKE SHE
HAS
EVERY-
THING.

TRUE
...

HARU
WONDERS
WHAT KIND
OF REWARD
HANABUSA-
SAN WANTS.

HA
HA!

UN-
LIKELY.

THAT'S
NOT
POSSIBLE,
RIGHT?







TOKAKU-
SAN,
LET'S
GO...

TO
HANABUSA
SUMIREKO'S
TEA
PARTY.



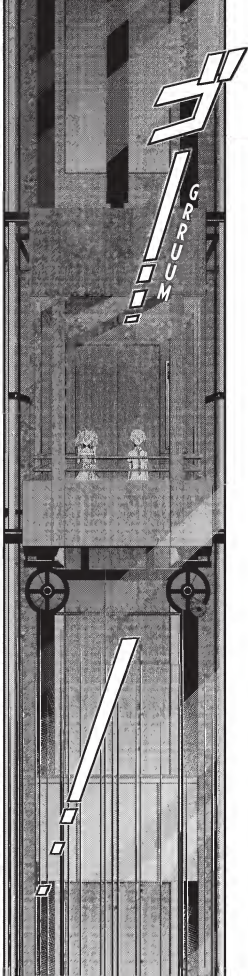
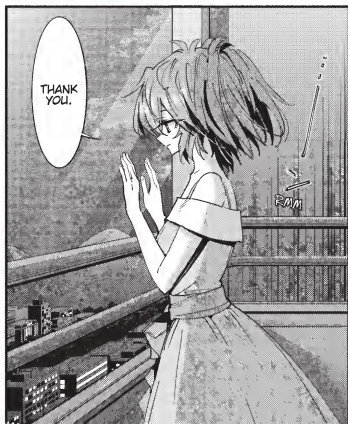
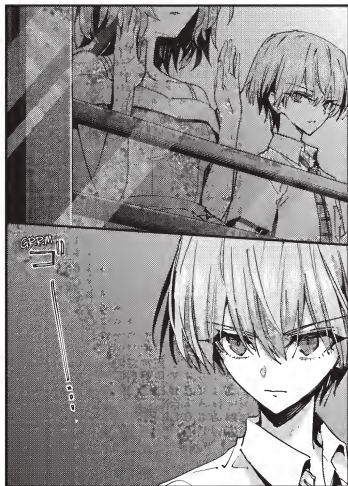
WHEN
CLASS
BLACK
ENDS...

WHERE
WILL
I GO?

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Lonely Queen





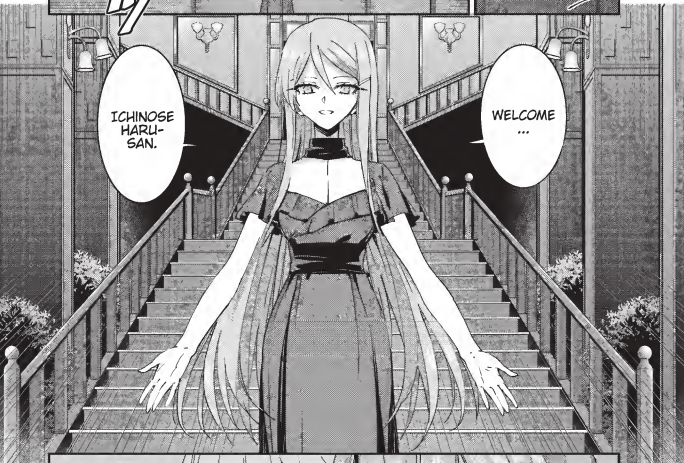
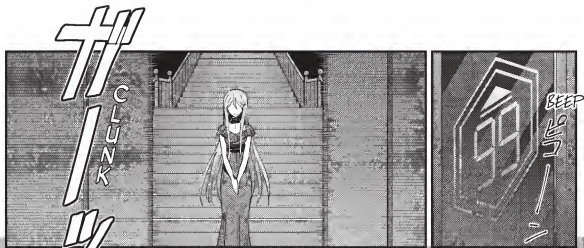


EVEN
THOUGH I
THOUGHT I
DIDN'T
NEED IT...

FROM
THAT DAY
FORWARD
...



RIGHT
NOW, I
JUST THINK
I WANT TO
BE WITH
HER.
THAT'S ALL.





AZUMA-
SAN,
HOW
VULGAR.

THERE IS
ALSO SHE
WHO HAS
NOT BEEN
INVITED.

OH
DEAR.



HARU
...

WON'T
ATTEND THE
TEA PARTY
UNLESS
TOKAKU-
SAN DOES,
TOO!

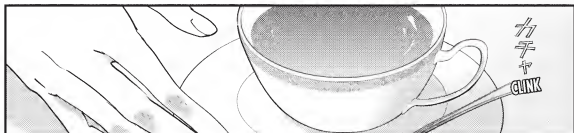


IT IS
THAT WHICH
CANNOT BE
AVOIDED, I
SUPPOSE.

IT IS
FINE.



THIS
WAY.



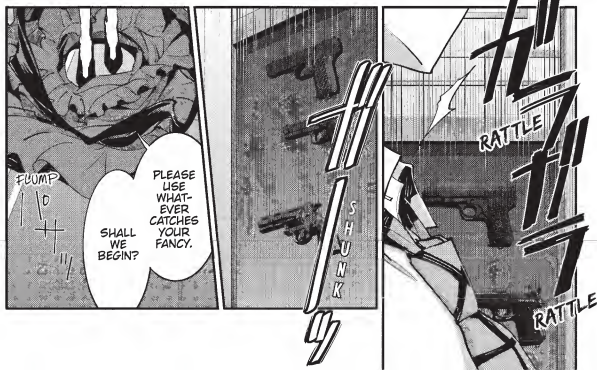
YOU NEEDN'T WORRY. NOTHING HAS BEEN ADDED TO IT.



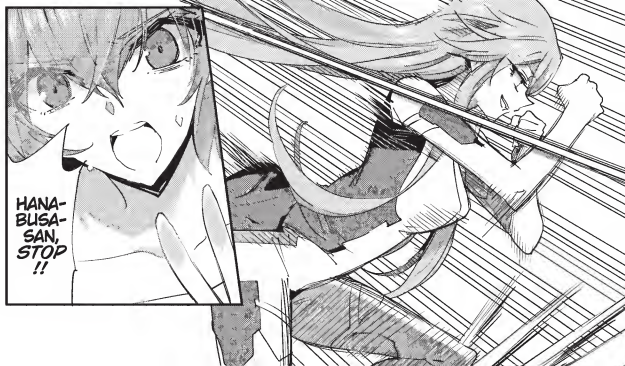
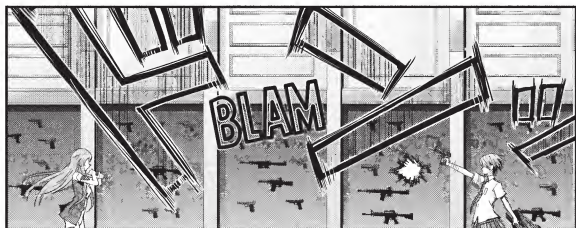
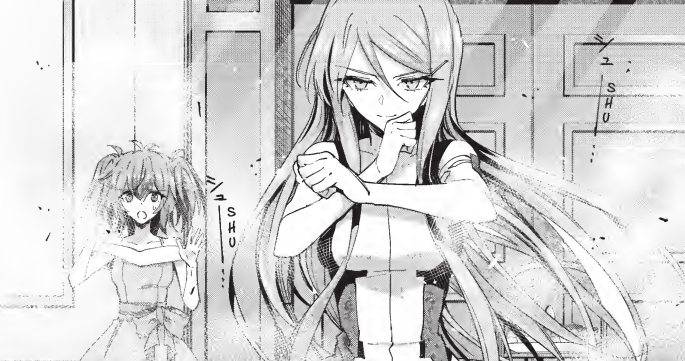
AFTER ALL, QUEENS MUST ENDURE LONELINESS
...



TH-THEN, CAN WE BE FRIENDS?











THAT'S
RIGHT, IS
IT NOT?
PLEASE
WAIT
OVER
THERE.



AFTER
I HAVE
DIS-
POSED
OF
AZUMA-
SAN...

WE
SHALL
SETTLE
THINGS,
YOU
AND I.



YOU
STAY
THERE!

DON'T
MOVE!



IN
SHORT,
MY
VICTORY.

THE
REWARD
I DESIRE
IS YOUR
DESTRUC-
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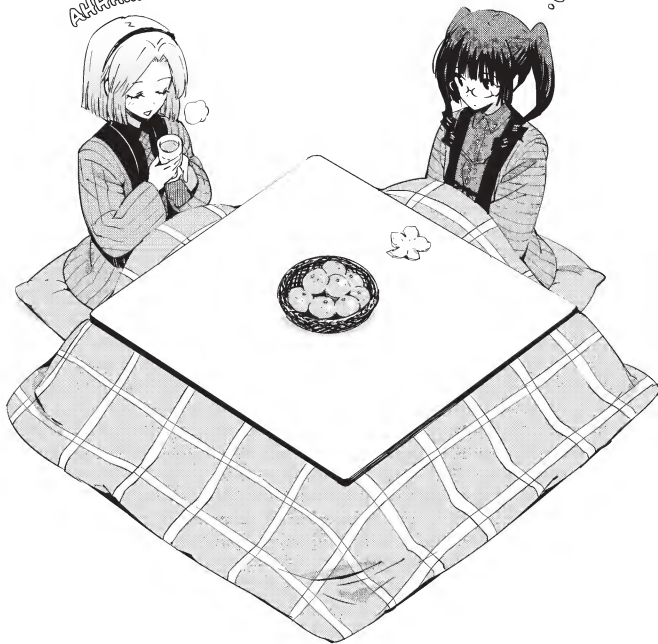
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AAAAA...

IT'S
STRANGE,
BUT IT
SUITS
HER...



TO BE
CONTINUED
IN VOLUME
5!



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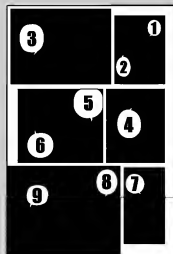
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cry for me.
I don’t
want to see
you cry.”**

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